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To: Foreign Minister SHIDEHARA

From: Acting Consul General TAJIRI

According to a confidential statement made by CHENG Chui to Goto
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on 16th:

In view of experiences during the nineteen years following the establishment of the Chinese Republic, the military leaders of Szechwan and Kweichow Provinces and the Dalai Lama of Tibet have come to the conclusion that China must be governed by^a constitutional monarchy. As a result of secret conferences, they recently dispatched as their representatives, Liu Jen-Li (Commander of Chengtu) and others to the Emperor Hsuantung here, and conveyed him a secret agreement of the Southwestern Provinces^a mentioned above. A message was also transmitted to the effect that they wish to clarify their anti-Chiang Kai-Shek attitude and support the Emperor Hsuantung, waiting for the opportunity of Chiang Kai-Shek's advancing his troops to Szechwan Province on the pretext of mopping up Communist-bandits. The Emperor, however, found no reply on account of an unexpected

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proposal from unforeseen quarters. He simply thanked them for their goodwill and made the messengers return home, giving them good care and offering them a large sum of money. It is also reported that Liu Wen-Hui, Lu Yun, Mao Kuang-Hsiang jointly names and confidentially communicated by telegram their determination to support the Emperor.

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Tokyo, Japan

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